

# **Overview Briefing**



# Why a MOUT ACTD?

#### DSB 1994 Military Operations in Built-up Areas (MOBA) Summer Study

"...the most complex and resource intensive battlefield in the 21st Century..."

"...the most likely battlefield in the 21st Century..."

Bosnia, 1996

#### It's The Environment!

- Noncombatants
- Electro-Magnetic Interference
- Densely Compacted Areas
- High Rise Buildings
- Modern Construction
- Manpower intensive



Potential adversaries

have military parity with

US forces



# Improve the operational capabilities of soldiers and Marines in MOUT

- Evaluate advanced technologies to provide technological dominance in MOUT, including TTPs to employ new capabilities
- Provide interim capabilities to operational units along with tactics, techniques and procedures (TTPs)
- Set the stage for rapid acquisition of downselected technologies





33 Operational Requirements

Joint Army/ USMC User determined

COTS/GOTS

Technology Identification 600+ Products

Logical Decisions Model Technology Assessment

Show and Tell 230 Products

10 separate service experiments (sqd/plt level)

128 Products

Military Utility
User Acceptance

System Integration
Training
TTPs

Collective Military Utility Interoperability

2 Joint Experiments (Battalion/Company level)

32 Products

Extended User Evaluation (2 year period)

23 Products

Transition to Interim
Capability

~23 Products

Battalion-level Culminating Demonstration

23 Products

Advanced Concept
Excursion
(identify post ACTD S&T)



### Requirements Identification

- Defense Science Board determined Military Operations in Built-up Areas was being overlooked
- Series of workshops held in Fort Benning, GA with staff NCOs and company grade officers with experience in urban combat in Grenada, Panama, Desert Shield/Storm, Haiti, Balkans, and Somalia
- Management team, Technology Program Office (TPO) and Dismounted Battlespace Battle Lab (DBBL) created functional area work groups
  - C4I
  - Force Protection
  - Engagement
  - Mobility



# 33 Requirements

C4I

R01: Identification of Friendly, Enemy, and

Non-Combatants

R02: Powered Optics

R03: Hands-Free Non-Line-of-Sight

**Communication** 

R04: Produce and Update Maps

R05: Intelligence Collection and

**Dissemination** 

R06: Night Vision/Light Source

R07: Through Wall Sensor

R33: Sniper Detection

R36: Hand Held Target Designation R41: Position/Location in Buildings

**Force Protection** 

R09: Level IV Body Armor

R10: Man-Portable Shield

R11: Clearly Mark All Friendlies

R12: Joint Protection

R13: Lightweight Mask

R14: Personal Protection Kit

R15: Hearing Protection

R26: Improved Obscurant

R35: Flexible Cuffs

R42: Casualty Evacuation

**Mobility** 

R28: Get on Top of Buildings

**Engagement** 

R08: Remote Marking

R16: Detect/Disarm Booby Traps

R21: Hands-Free Sling

R24: Soft Round

R25: Non-Lethal Tools/Munitions

R27: Blow Man-Sized Hole in Concrete

R29: Precision Mortar

R30: Non-Explosive Breach

R31: Non-Lethal Blunt Trauma Training Round

R34: Non-Lethal Grenade

R37: Point Munition

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**Modeling and Simulation** 

R40: Mission Planning/Virtual Rehearsal Tools

Solutions satisfying these requirements were considered high priority, high return by soldiers and Marines



# Extended User Evaluation (EUE)

- All 22 products that went to the JCF-AWE for the Culminating Demonstration were accepted for use in the two year EUE
- Current activities include
  - Implementing the disposition plan
  - Completing documentation of the ACTD, with particular emphasis on the EUE
  - Collection and processing of sustainment data
  - Collection and processing of user feedback data from troops



### Residual Products

Req	Product	Army	Marines	SOCOM
R02	Thermal Weapon Sight	Х	Х	
	Close Combat Optics	Х		
	Machine Gun Optics	Х		
	ACOG TA31		Х	
	Reflex RX01-10		Х	
	Aquila 4X		Х	
	Sn-5 Optic		Х	
R04	Battlespace Mapper	Х		
R05	Pointer UAV	Х		Х
R09	SPEAR Vest, Ranger Variant	Х	Х	
R13	M45 Mask	Х	Х	
R12	Bijan Knee/Elbow Pads	Х	Х	
R21	Tactical Taylor Sling	Х	Х	
R27	Simon 150 Door Breaching Round	Х		
	Explosive Cutting Tape	Х		
DOC	Rafael LIMOR Ladder	Х	Х	
R28	Quikstep (Portal)	Х	Х	
R30	DEMTEK Breaching Kit	Х	Х	
R31	Simunitions	Х	Х	
R35	Tuff Cuff Restraints	Х	Х	
R40	Sextant Virtual Warfighting Tool	Х		
R06	* VECTOP			Х
R41	* Tracking, Monitoring and Location System			Х

<sup>\*</sup> Products were identified post-experiment and evaluated via limited objective experimentation



#### Residual Products





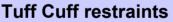


**Explosive Cutting Tape** 

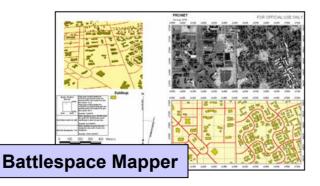




SPEAR Body Armor Ranger Variant





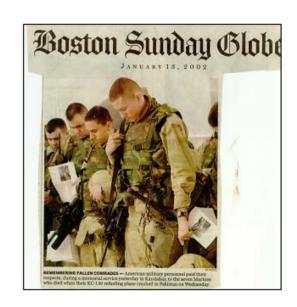


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# **Operation Enduring Freedom**

- Facilitating the purchase of multiple UAV systems for SOCOM
- 26<sup>th</sup> MEU 3/6: MOUT ACTD Kit used in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom; kit was also used at Camp Rhino, Kandahar and The U.S. Embassy in Kabul





### **Transition – Products**

Product	Status			
Simon 150 Door	Transitioned to PM-Small Arms (as a Warfighter Rapid Acquisition Program)			
Breaching Round	Product type classified as Rifle Launched Entry Munition (RLEM), February 2002			
Pointer UAV	Placed on GSA schedule			
	Working with PEO Aviation to have Pointer considered as an interim capability to MAV and Small UAV			
	Facilitating purchase of multiple systems by SOCOM to support Enduring Freedom			
	USAF has employed MOUT loaned systems for airfield protection and security with great success			
Bijan Knee/Elbow Pads	Soldier Enhancement Program completed			
Explosive Cutting Tape	Soldier Enhancement Program approved FY02			
Simunitions	Soldier Enhancement Program approved FY02			
Quikstep (Portal)	Soldier Enhancement Program approved FY02			
M45 Mask	Currently fielded to aviation SOF only; request for change to BOI to include dismounted infantry is at TSM			
SPEAR Vest, Ranger Variant	Joint Army/USMC Body Armor ORD modified to reflect this armor			
DEMTEK Breaching Kit	Placed on GSA schedule			
Tuff Cuff Restraints	Placed on GSA schedule			
Tactical Taylor Sling	No transition success; 10 <sup>th</sup> Mtn Div has used discretionary funds to purchase			
Optics (multiple)	Some are currently fielded, others are not likely to transition			
Battlespace Mapper	Actively pursuing transition avenues			
Sextant Virtual Warfighting Tool	Actively pursuing transition avenues			
Rafael LIMOR Ladder	Product is expensive and not likely to transition			



# Transition Experimental TTP Products

- Handbooks 1/2: Rifle Platoon and Squad in urban combat.
- Handbook 3: MOUT-specific individual and individual leader tasks for Skill Levels 1-4.
- Handbooks 4/5: Rifle Company in urban combat.
- Handbooks 6/7: Infantry Battalion in urban combat.
- Handbook 8: Training Support Package for MOUT ACTD Technologies.
- SA/Comms TTPs to 3-325 (Land Warrior EXFOR)
- TTP Handbooks to:
  - 10th Mountain Division MOUT Leaders Course
  - All Division G-3s, XVIII Airborne Corps
  - TSM Soldier to C Co, 3/325, 82nd Airborne Division, Land Warrior EXFOR
  - Canada, United Kingdom, Australia and Sweden



#### Lessons Learned

- Active soldier participation and consideration is key to program success
- Consistent EXFOR throughout the program is extremely beneficial
- Transition planning and implementation needs to occur early and continuously
- Technologically superior may not be tactically superior
- COTS products can be successful, but are not always militarily suitable
- Sufficient training time built into all events a <u>must</u>
- Incremental experimentation allows early lessons learned to be applied to subsequent experiments
- Focus on TTPs as an ACTD product is a key to successful employment of new technologies and transition of those capabilities



- A different approach to an S&T program: warfighter as core element
- TTP handbooks
- MOUT site instrumentation at Fort Benning and Camp Lejeune
- SA freeze frame methodology
- Technology Assessment Process (TAP)
- Transition planning process
- High fidelity M&S capability for radio technologies
- Training impact analyses
- S&T investment strategy for future MOUT capabilities
- Experiments provide a good MOUT training opportunity for all troops involved